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COUNTY DIRECTORY.

MORGAN COUNTY.

The county town of Morgan County is Warburg, and the various Courts are held as follows:—

CHANCERY COURT.—Hon. D. K. Young, Chancellor ex-officio. Meets first Monday in March, July and November. Samuel H. Staples, Clerk and Master.

CIRCUIT COURT.—Hon. D. K. Young, Judge; J. M. D. Mitchell, Attorney-General. Meets first Monday in March, July and November. J. W. Scott, Clerk.

COUNTY COURT.—M. Stevens, Chairman. Quarterly Court meets first Monday in January, April, July and October. Quorum Court meets first Monday in every month. M. F. Redman, Clerk.

COUNTY OFFICIALS.—G. W. Green, Sheriff; John D. Kreise, Trustee; John L. Scott, Register; Thomas Roberts, County Surveyor; J. Staples, Superintendent Public Schools.

SCOTT COUNTY.

The county town of Scott County is Huntsville, and the various Courts are held as follows:—

CHANCERY COURT.—Hon. D. K. Young, Chancellor. Meets first Monday in March, July and November. J. J. Duncan, Clerk and Master.

CIRCUIT COURT.—Hon. D. K. Young, Judge; J. M. D. Mitchell, Attorney-General. Meets first Monday in March, July and November. R. Hart, Clerk; J. J. Duncan, Deputy Clerk.

COUNTY COURT.—Hon. J. C. Parker, Judge. Quarterly Court meets first Monday in January, April, July and October. Quorum Court meets first Monday in every month. Jno. Pemberton, Clerk; J. J. Duncan, Deputy Clerk.

COUNTY OFFICIALS.—Beatty Cecil, Sheriff; E. M. Sexton, Trustee; William Sharp, Register; Alvin Parker, County Surveyor; James H. Jeffers, Superintendent Public Schools.

FENTRESS COUNTY.

The county town of Fentress County is Jamestown, and the various Courts are held as follows:—

CHANCERY COURT.—Hon. D. K. Young, Chancellor. Meets first Monday after the fourth Monday in March, July and November. S. V. Bowden, Clerk and Master.

CIRCUIT COURT.—Hon. D. K. Young, Judge; J. M. D. Mitchell, Attorney-General. Meets first Monday after the fourth Monday in March, July and November. A. A. Gosling, Clerk.

COUNTY COURT.—Hon. James George, Judge. Meets the first Monday in each month. A. J. Mace, Clerk.

COUNTY OFFICIALS.—G. W. Constar, Sheriff; O. P. Cooper, Trustee; G. S. Kingston, Register; J. C. Phillips, County Surveyor; B. L. Stephens, Superintendent of Public Schools.

1883.

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RUGBY LODGE, 518, U. D. F. & A. M. met and organized on Wednesday, March 21st. The regular communications will be held on the Wednesday evening of each month before full moon. Visiting, and neighboring brethren cordially invited.

R. WALTON, W. M.

C. ONDERDONK, Secretary.

TO OUR READERS.

It is not usually deemed wise to change horses when crossing a stream, but the tide, which is said to come in the affairs of every man, appears to have reached us, and we feel we should take it, trusting that it will "lead on to fortune." The *Rugbyman* has, more or less successfully, during the past fifteen months, advocated what it has considered to be the best interests of the Rugby colony, fighting against the many misfortunes that tended to carry it into a disastrous sea, and make shipwreck of the whole affair. The colony, however, lives and is well riding out the storm, but many things have gone by the board—we intend no play upon words—and it would be untruthful to say we are in anything in the good trim we would wish to see. While working and waiting in the present we strain our eyes towards the morning and "wish for the day."

Extending around Rugby is the great and important geographical section known as the Plateau of the Cumberland Mountains, and to more fully advocate the advantages of these tablelands to home-seekers, farmers, miners and capitalists, we have changed our name from the *Rugbyman* to the *Plateau Gazette*. We shall not by any means forsake our first love, but add to its advantages and attractions by speaking a good word more generally and continuously for the whole country comprised by the plateau, particularly the counties of Morgan, Fentress, Scott and Cumberland. These counties are waking up, and it is the first duty of the local journalist to keep them awake, to the extent within reach of the press. We shall endeavour to do our best and fairest by all parties, keeping ourselves above unwholesome rivalries and small jealousies, and we would ask the help of our friends and neighbors, who by helping us help themselves more, to give the *Plateau Gazette* a strong right hand.

Consumption is a disease which has never been known on the Cumberland Plateau.

THE CUMBERLAND PLATEAU.

Until within the last five years very much of the Cumberland Plateau has been a sealed and shut out section of country, the outside world knowing but little of it beyond its reputation as a healthy, "happy hunting ground" for hardy and independent mountaineers. The making of the Cincinnati Southern Railway, however, has been so far, and must be more so, the making of the Plateau, and passing directly through Morgan and Scott counties, and within every reach of Fentress county, the sections just now more than any others competing for the muscle and money of the immigrant and the capitalist, the rail will receive the first and largest credit for the developing of the Cumberland tablelands.

During the year 1880, it is well known, extensive surveys were being made by New England and old England capitalists, in Morgan, Scott and Fentress counties, with the idea of founding an Anglo-American colony. The investigation resulted in the purchase of some 35,000 acres in Morgan and Scott counties, with a small portion in Fentress, although the original idea was to secure the larger portion in the latter county.

In October, 1880, Mr. Thomas Hughes, of London, England, formally opened the Rugby colony. It is unnecessary now to go into the details of its history to date, beyond saying that the foundation of Rugby has given an importance, and drawn attention, to the Plateau that cannot be underrated, and will never cease. It is the pioneer settlement of the present generation, and as such, whatever its prosperity, will be socially and historically interesting. It has not been that success anticipated, but it is to-day, farther off from failure than ever it was. It is slowly but surely emerging from its difficulties, and every effort, capital, energy and business intelligence can do for its successful progress is being silently done by men of practical ideas. The time cannot be far distant when the Rugby lands, and Rugby town, with its more than average social advantages, will enter that prosperity originally contemplated.

Another important step in the development of the Plateau has been the opening up of exceptionally fine coal veins at Glen Mary and Helenwood, in Scott county, and the numerous mines in Anderson and Campbell counties. The Glen Mary mines, originally on the Rugby estate, have been very successfully worked until they now occupy a foremost place in the Southern output of coal. All down the line, close adjoining, are numerous busy stations for timber sections, and a very large lumber shipping business is carried on.

The latest step in development, however, is now taking place in Fentress county, where a settlement of Anglo-American-Germans—if one may coin such a word—has been quietly but very successfully started. Allardt, the name of the new colony, is situated on a very level and well-lying portion of the Plateau, about nine miles west of Rugby, and although only a few months old, already numbers nearly one hundred people, and of a class, without praising them too highly, second to none as intelligent first-comers upon the soil. Building has rapidly gone on, roads have been cut out, a saw mill has been established, the soil and fencing attended to, a good store opened, with a church and school house now in course of construction. At Buffalo Cove, close by, a valley of rich farm lands and the choicest timber, a coal vein over

four feet in thickness, has been opened and satisfactorily proved to be very extensive, as well as of the finest quality. To develop this coal a railway connecting with the Cincinnati Southern or the Louisville and Knoxville line is confidently spoken of, and backed as it is by a gentleman of exceptionally energetic and business capacity, the project has good promise of early fulfillment.

Thus, then, with the fine climate of the Plateau, the adaptability of the soil to mixed and special farming, the existing and prospective railway communication, the colonies of Rugby and Allardt, and the development of minerals, the regeneration of this section of the tablelands, is about as certain as anything can be said to be in this sublimary world.

GO SOUTH.

This was not the advice of Horace Greeley, but it implies as much as his memorable words: "Go West, young man." The cities of the North and East are teeming with millions of industrious citizens who eke out a miserable existence. Had these men the nerve to get away from poverty and enjoy independence and a competency, they would turn their faces to the waste lands of the Southern States. There is room for thousands and millions of industrious men and women. The land is untillied for the want of the husbandman. The products of the soil, indigenous to warmer latitudes, find a ready market, and each acre brought into productiveness would enrich the toiler and add to the revenue and prosperity of the State. We say to all who can leave, to turn their faces Southward, and assist in reclaiming the fairest portion of the Union and enjoy the fruits of their labor. There is need of your skill and your strength, and there is room for the teeming millions of the North to build for themselves happy homes and become independent through their own exertions and energy.—*North and South.*

Queen Victoria has had a serious fall on the stairs in Windsor Castle, and the public mind is acutely aroused and excited on account of Her Majesty's accident, and any untoward event that may follow. No ruler ever had a firmer seat in the affections of her subjects, and no ruler ever more deserved such a position, than the Queen of England holds. Immense crowds gather around the bulletin boards in London, and at all the centers of population, anxiously and eagerly reading the latest items. So long has the Queen been, as it were, the heart of England, that the very life of the State is felt to be touched when her health is impaired.

Several new mines have been opened up in Roane county.

They are still introducing bills in the Legislature, although there have been nearly 800 introduced into the House and 410 in the Senate.

The bill to add the counties of Meigs, Rhea and Cumberland to the Third Congressional district, from which they were accidentally omitted in the recent apportionment, passed its third reading.

At Limestone station near Knoxville, Friday, last week, a passenger train engine ran into a freight train engine. The brakeman who was sent to flag the passenger train fell asleep at his post hence the collision. Wm. Whitlock, the engineer of the passenger train is thought to be fatally injured.

TENNESSEE NEWS.

There are 1,283 convicts in the penitentiary and at the branch prisons.

Prices of cattle in Bedford county, Tenn., are reported higher than for eighteen years past.

It is said that Madison is the only county in the State that has not had its line changed during the present session.

It is said that the series of protracted meetings now in progress in a colored church in west Nashville, began in 1866 or 1867.

A correspondent of the *Somerville Reporter* says that if the bill now before the Legislature making insanity a cause for divorce passes, Tennessee will need another asylum.

Almost every town in Tennessee wants its charter abolished. One that was incorporated in 1817 was wiped out of existence on Wednesday.

Joe Davis, a lad about fourteen years of age, was instantly killed at Columbia, by the accidental discharge of his gun while out hunting last Saturday.

John McMahan was seriously stabbed at Whiteside Saturday night, and Aaron Pickle was shot Sunday night. In each case it was a drunken quarrel between miners.

A Hickman county man had his farm moved into an adjoining county to get rid of the railroad tax. The tax was 75 cents annually. It cost the State \$40 or \$50 to change the line.

James M. Martin, general manager of the Nashville competitive drill to be held in May, was found dead in that city on Wednesday, the 24th inst., from disease of the heart.

A presiding elder of the Mormon Church was in Chattanooga on the 18th inst., arranging for the immigration of 150 converts on the 26th. There are now ninety missionaries in the South.

Rev. F. A. Owen, the first agent of the Southern Methodist Publishing House, in Nashville, and a minister of the gospel for sixty-one years, died Friday morning in the eightieth year of his age.

A movement is on foot to abolish the existing charter of Chattanooga and convert the city government into a taxing district after the manner of Memphis. A bill to that effect will be introduced into the Legislature.

Robert Perkins, the local agent of the Singer Sewing Machine Company at Chattanooga, committed suicide on the 16th inst. by shooting himself through the head. A deficiency in his accounts is assigned as the cause of the act.

A baby weighing a pound and a half was born at Chattanooga last week; the poor little thing died or it might have made a great man. It is said Sir Isaac Newton when born was so small that he could be comfortably put into a quart pot.

Tuesday night, two drunken roughs boarded the south bound Cincinnati Southern train at Lansing and when they reached Oakdale junction, one of them became very disorderly, declaring that he had lost \$200, and would kill every man on the train if it was not found. They finally became so boisterous that conductor Kelly stopped the train and ejected them, and in doing so, one of them fell down an embankment about thirty feet high and it is supposed sobered him.—*Chattanooga Times.*